

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1 1. A method, comprising:
 - 2 mapping dependencies of a set of applications, the set of
 - 3 applications including independent applications and dependent
 - 4 applications;
 - 5 receiving data for the at least one of the independent applications;
 - 6 updating the at least one independent application using the
 - 7 received data;
 - 8 determining if any of the dependent applications are dependent on
 - 9 the at least one independent application; and
 - 10 updating dependent applications determined to be dependent on
 - 11 the at least one independent application.
- 1 2. The method of claim 1, further comprising displaying updated data
 - 2 in application windows corresponding to updated applications.
- 1 3. The method of claim 1, wherein at least one of the applications
 - 2 from the set of applications resides on a local client.
- 1 4. The method of claim 1, wherein at least one of the applications
 - 2 from the set of applications resides on a server.

1 5. The method of claim 1, wherein at least one of the applications
2 from the set of applications resides on an external source.

1 6. The method of claim 1, wherein updating the at least one
2 independent application is done on a regularly scheduled basis.

1 7. The method of claim 1, wherein updating the at least one
2 independent application is done at intervals specified by the at least one
3 independent application.

1 8. The method of claim 1, wherein the receiving receives data from a
2 server.

1 9. The method of claim 8, wherein the server receives data from an
2 external source.

1 10. The method of claim 1, wherein the received data is encrypted and
2 further comprising decrypting the received data.

1 11. A computer-readable medium having stored thereon instructions
2 to cause a computer to aggregate data having dependencies, the
3 instructions comprising:

4 map dependencies of a set of applications, the set of applications

including independent applications and dependent applications;
 receive data for the at least one of the independent applications;
 update the at least one independent application using the received
 data;
 determine if any of the dependent applications are dependent on
 the at least one independent application; and
 update dependent applications determined to be dependent on the
 at least one independent application.

12. The computer-readable medium of claim 11, further comprising an
 instruction to display updated data in application windows
 corresponding to updated applications.

13. The computer-readable medium of claim 11, wherein at least one
 of the applications from the set of applications resides on a local client.

14. The computer-readable medium of claim 11, wherein at least one
 of the applications from the set of applications resides on a server.

15. The computer-readable medium of claim 11, wherein at least one
 of the applications from the set of applications resides on an external
 source.

1 16. The computer-readable medium of claim 11, wherein updating the
2 at least one independent application is done on a regularly scheduled
3 basis.

1 17. The computer-readable medium of claim 11, wherein updating the
2 at least one independent application is done at intervals specified by the
3 at least one independent application.

1 18. The computer-readable medium of claim 11, wherein the
2 instruction to receive receives data from a server.

1 19. The computer-readable medium of claim 18, wherein the server
2 receives data from an external source.

1 20. The computer-readable medium of claim 11, wherein the received
2 data is encrypted and the computer-readable medium further comprises
3 an instruction to decrypt the received data.

1 21. A system, comprising:
2 means for mapping dependencies of a set of applications, the set of
3 applications including independent applications and dependent
4 applications;
5 means for receiving data for the at least one of the independent
6 applications;

means for updating the at least one independent application using the received data;

means for determining if any of the dependent applications are dependent on the at least one independent application; and

means for updating dependent applications determined to be dependent on the at least one independent application.

22. A system, comprising:

a set of the applications, the set including independent and dependent applications; and

an aggregation client, communicatively coupled to the set of applications and to an aggregation server, the aggregation client capable to map dependencies of the set of applications, request and receive data for updating the independent applications, and update dependent applications when independent applications that are depended on are updated with received data.

23. The system of claim 22, further comprising a screen manager client capable to display data in application windows corresponding to the set of applications.

24. The system of claim 22, wherein at least one of the applications from the set of applications resides initially on the system.

25. The system of claim 22, wherein at least one of the applications
from the set of applications initially resides on the server.

26. The system of claim 22, wherein at least one of the applications
from the set of applications initially resides on an external source.

27. The system of claim 22, wherein the aggregation client is further
capable to update the independent applications on a regularly scheduled
basis.

28. The system of claim 22, wherein the aggregation client is further
capable to update the independent applications at intervals specified by
the independent applications.

29. The system of claim 22, wherein the aggregation client is further
capable to receive data from the server.

30. The system of claim 29, wherein the server receives data from an
external source.

31. The system of claim 22, wherein aggregation client is further
capable to receive encrypted data from the server and to decrypt the
encrypted data.